

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. - 20. (Canceled)
21. (Currently Amended) An alarm clock comprising:  
a display configured to display a passage of time;  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room; and  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides a warning ~~an auditory cue~~ upon a change in the amount of light if an alarm ~~configured to provide the auditory cue~~ has not been set ~~activated~~.
22. (Currently Amended) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a speaker configured to provide the warning ~~auditory cue~~.
23. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a memory configured to send and receive information from the controller.
24. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 23, wherein the memory is programmable.
25. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 24, wherein the memory is configured to receive information from the controller regarding conditions of light intensity.
26. (Currently Amended) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a switch configured to activate the ~~an~~ alarm.
27. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 26, further comprising a shutoff configured to deactivate the alarm.

28. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a transceiver configured to send a signal, wherein the signal contains a message.

29. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 28, wherein the transceiver is configured to send the signal by a telecommunication line.

30. (Currently Amended) An alarm clock comprising:  
a display configured to display a passage of time;  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room; and  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides a message ~~visual cue~~ upon a change in the amount of light in a room if an alarm ~~configured to provide the visual cue~~ has not been set ~~activated~~.

31. (Currently Amended) An alarm clock ~~apparatus configured to sense changes in light intensity~~ comprising:  
a display configured to display a passage of time;  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room; and  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides a warning ~~an auditory or visual cue~~ upon a change in the amount of light if an alarm has not been set; and  
a transceiver configured to send a wireless signal to another apparatus, wherein the wireless signal contains a message.

32. (Currently Amended) The clock ~~apparatus~~ of Claim 31, further comprising a speaker configured to provide the warning ~~auditory cue~~.

33. (Currently Amended) The clock ~~apparatus~~ of Claim 31, further comprising a memory configured to send and receive information from the controller.

34. (Currently Amended) The clock apparatus of Claim 33, wherein the memory is programmable.

35. (Currently Amended) The clock apparatus of Claim 34, wherein the memory is configured to receive information from the controller regarding conditions of light intensity.

36. (Canceled).

37. (Canceled).

38. (Currently Amended) An alarm clock comprising:  
a display configured to display a passage of time;  
a switch configured to activate an alarm;  
a shutoff configured to deactivate the alarm;  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room;  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides a warning ~~an auditory cue or visual cue~~ upon a change in the amount of light if the alarm has not been set activated;  
a speaker and or light configured to provide the warning ~~auditory or visual cue~~; and  
a programmable memory configured to send and receive information from the controller.

39. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 38, further comprising a transceiver configured to send a signal, wherein the signal contains a message.

40. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 39, wherein the transceiver is configured to send the signal by a telecommunication line.

41. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a transceiver configured to send a wireless signal to another apparatus, wherein the wireless signal contains a message.

42. (Previously Presented) The clock of Claim 38, further comprising a transceiver configured to send a wireless signal to another apparatus, wherein the wireless signal contains a message.

43. (New) An alarm clock comprising:  
a display configured to display a passage of time;  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room; and  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides an auditory cue upon a change in the amount of light if an alarm has not been set.